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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being filed electronically on:

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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments in the above identified application prior to examination of the RCE filed concurrently herewith. A one-month extension of time is hereby requested.